

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF INTEGRATED RESOURCE)
PLANNING FOR THE PROVISION OF STANDARD)
OFFER SERVICE BY DELMARVA POWER &) PSC DOCKET NO. 14-0559
LIGHT COMPANY UNDER 26 *DEL. C.*)
§§1007(c) AND (d))
(OPENED DECEMBER 16, 2014))

ORDER NO. 8694

AND NOW, this 16th day of December 2014, the Delaware Public Service Commission (the "Commission") determines and orders the following:

WHEREAS, 26 *Del. C.* §1007(c) (1) requires Delmarva Power & Light Company ("Delmarva" or the "Company") to conduct integrated resource planning; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* §1007(c) (1), Delmarva's Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP") is required to systematically evaluate all available supply options (including procurement, generation, transmission, conservation, and load management) over a ten-year planning period, and forecast the appropriate mix of such resources that will be utilized to meet the needs of its Standard Offer Service ("SOS") customers, at minimal cost and without sacrificing adequate reliability; and

WHEREAS, on December 2, 2014, Delmarva filed its IRP; and

WHEREAS, 26 *Del. Admin. C.* §3010-2.0 requires the Commission to find, within 45 days after the Company has filed its IRP, that the IRP

is "administratively complete in fulfilling the requirements of the rules and regulations;"¹ and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 26 *Del. Admin. C.* §3010-9.2, the Commission, interested State Agencies,² interested parties and the general public are to be provided an opportunity to review and comment on the IRP;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE
VOTE OF NO FEWER THAN THREE COMMISSIONERS:**

1. This docket is now opened for review and comment on the IRP filed by Delmarva on December 2, 2014.

2. The Commission finds that the IRP is administratively complete in fulfilling the requirements of 26 *Del. Admin. C.* §3010 *et seq.*

3. Delmarva shall publish the form of notice attached as **Exhibit "A,"** in the following newspapers, in two-column format, outlined in black, on the designated dates:

The News Journal (February 2, 2015)

Delaware State News (February 3, 2015)

Delmarva shall file proof of such publication on or before February 23, 2015.

4. If it has not already been done, the Commission Secretary or her designee shall promptly post the IRP and the attached form of notice on the Commission's Internet website under an appropriate heading.

¹ See the definition of "Commission Recognition" under 26 *Del. Admin. C.* §3010-2.0.

² The term "State Agencies" is not defined in 26 *Del. Admin. C.* §3010, but the Company is required under 26 *Del. Admin. C.* §3010-1.11 to send copies of the IRP to the following state agencies: The Controller General's office, the Office of Management and Budget, the Division of the Public Advocate, and the Energy Office/DNREC.

5. Interested persons or entities may file and serve written comments on the IRP **on or before March 30, 2015**. Such comments shall comply with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. Such written comments shall also be served upon counsel for Delmarva.

6. Delmarva may file responding comments **on or before April 29, 2015**.

7. The Commission Secretary shall deliver a copy of this Order to the State Energy Office, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Division of the Public Advocate, and the Controller General.

8. Persons or entities may also file petitions to intervene under 26 Del. Admin. C. §1001-2.9 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. Such petitions shall be filed **on or before February 23, 2015**.

9. Pursuant to 26 Del. C. §502, Senior Hearing Examiner Mark Lawrence is designated as the Hearing Examiner for this matter. Senior Hearing Examiner Lawrence shall conduct or supervise such proceedings in this matter as he deems necessary or appropriate to have a full and complete record concerning the IRP filed by Delmarva. Senior Hearing Examiner Lawrence is also delegated the authority to grant or deny petitions to intervene and motions for *pro hac vice* admission. Senior Hearing Examiner Lawrence is also delegated the authority to determine the manner and content of any additional public notice he deems necessary or appropriate. At the conclusion of the proceedings, Senior Hearing Examiner Lawrence shall file and submit a report with his proposed findings of fact based on the evidence, any

recommended conclusions of law, and, if necessary, recommendations concerning what action(s) the Commission should take in response to the IRP filed by Delmarva on December 2, 2014.

10. Delmarva is notified that it will be assessed the costs of this proceeding under 26 *Del. C.* §114(b).

11. The Commission reserves the jurisdiction and authority to enter such further Orders in this matter as may be deemed necessary or proper.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chair

Commissioner

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ATTEST:

Secretary

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**NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF
INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN
BY DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

On December 2, 2014, Delmarva Power & Light Company ("Delmarva" or the "Company") filed an Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP") with the Public Service Commission (the "Commission"). Such submission is required by 26 *Del. C.* §1007(c) (1) and Commission regulations found at 26 *Del. Admin. C.* §3010. The IRP reflects the end result of an integrated resource planning process by Delmarva during which it has systematically evaluated all actions or options for procuring, creating, or load-managing electric supply to meet, at minimal cost, the needs of its Standard Offer Supply retail customers over a ten-year planning period.

The Commission now solicits written comments about Delmarva's IRP. If you wish to submit comments, you should review PSC Order No. 8694 (December 16, 2014). That Order is available on the Commission's Internet website at <http://depssc.delaware.gov/>. Comments must be filed and served **on or before March 30, 2015**, as follows:

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You must either (i) paper file an original and 10 copies of written comments with the Commission and serve another copy by mail and electronic mail on Delmarva's counsel identified above or (ii) file written comments via the Commission's Delafile system.

Delmarva shall be permitted to respond to all timely-received written comments on or before **April 29, 2015**.

You may also file a petition to intervene in this docket. To do so, you must file a petition to intervene under 26 *Del. Admin. C.* §1001-2.9 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. Any such petitions must be filed with the Commission ***on or before February 23, 2015***.

If you are disabled and need assistance to participate in this matter, contact the Commission to discuss arrangements for such assistance. You can contact the Commission directly or by telephone at (302) 739-4247 (including text telephone) or toll-free at 1-800-282-8574 (Delaware only). Questions or inquiries can also be made by Internet e-mail addressed to PSC@state.de.us.